

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CHARLESTON GRAND JURY 2022  
MAY 3, 2022 SESSION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CRIMINAL NO. 2:22-cr-00093  
21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)  
18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)  
18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)  
18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(2)

SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH

I N D I C T M E N T

The Grand Jury Charges:

COUNT ONE

On or about December 27, 2021, at or near Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a quantity of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

COUNT TWO

On or about December 27, 2021, at or near Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH did knowingly possess the following firearms in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which the defendant may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1):

- a. Smith and Wesson, Model Bodyguard, .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol; and
- b. Ruger, model LC9s, 9mm semi-automatic pistol.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)(1)(A).

**COUNT THREE**

1. On or about December 27, 2021, at or near Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH did knowingly possess the following firearms in and affecting interstate commerce:

- a. Smith and Wesson, Model Bodyguard, .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol; and
- b. Ruger, model LC9s, 9mm semi-automatic pistol.

2. At the time defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH possessed the aforesaid firearms, he knew he had been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921(a)(20), that is, convicted on or about April 14, 2015, in the Second Judicial District Court for the Parish of Bienville, Louisiana, case number 47,212, of Possession of Schedule I CDS-Marijuana (Fourth Offense) in violation of Louisiana Revised Statutes 40:966C.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2).

**COUNT FOUR**

On or about March 17, 2022, at or near Parkersburg, Wood County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a quantity of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

**COUNT FIVE**

1. On or about March 17, 2022, at or near Parkersburg, Wood County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH did knowingly possess a firearm, that is, a SCCY, model CPX-2, 9mm semi-automatic pistol, in and affecting interstate commerce.

2. At the time defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH possessed the aforesaid firearm, he knew he had been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921(a)(20), that is, convicted on or about April 14, 2015, in the Second Judicial District Court for the Parish of Bienville, Louisiana, case number 47,212, of Possession of Schedule I CDS-Marijuana (Fourth Offense) in violation of Louisiana Revised Statutes 40:966C.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2).

**COUNT SIX**

On or about March 17, 2022, at or near Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, and within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant SAMUEL PIERRE JOSEPH knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a quantity of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

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